

**LICENSES AND CONSUMER SERVICES
LICENSE INSPECTOR'S REPORT**

LICENSE NUMBER: L202-50029 **Police File Number:** 13400

DATE OF APPLICATION: May 6, 2013

INSPECTOR: Mohamed Ismail

APPLICANT/LEGAL ENTITY: Town Hall Lanes, LLC

DBA/TRADE NAME: Town Hall Lanes

COMPLETE ADDRESS: 5019 34th Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55417

PURPOSE OF APPLICATION New Business

LICENSE REQUESTED: On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales,
Class "C-2"/Bowling Alley

CURRENT LICENSE: None. Formerly Skylane Bowling had an On-Sale Beer, Class E at this site.

RESPONSIBLE PERSON WITHIN 75 MILES OF MINNEAPOLIS CITY HALL:
Peter Rifakes

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS: A public hearing is required.

LICENSE CONDITIONS: None

NEIGHBORHOOD/WARD: Nokomis East Neighborhood Association

ZONING: C-2

7 ACRE REQUIREMENT: Met

OFF-STREET PARKING: The business is required to have 13 off-street parking spaces. The applicant has met this requirement.

CHURCHES OR SCHOOLS WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE PROPOSED PREMISES: No

SEATING: Inside: 126 Seats Outside: None

MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY: Inside: 163 Seats Outside None

FOOD SERVICE REQUIREMENT: The applicant meets the minimum food service requirement. They have 50/50 food to alcohol ratio.

HOURS OF OPERATION PROPOSED: Inside: Monday-Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00a.m, Thursday-Saturday from 11:00a.m. to 2:00a.m., and Sunday 11a.m. to 12 midnight.

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL SERVICE AVAILABILITY CHARGES: The Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Division has determined the SAC charges and Town Hall Lanes will be charged 2 SAC units for this project. The SAC charges were paid.

HISTORY OF LOCATION

Previously was an On-Sale Beer Class E license, a Place of Amusement Class B-2 and a Bowling Alley license at this location since 1999 operating as Skylane Bowling.

APPLICANT

The applicant is Town Hall Lanes, LLC., a limited liability company legally organized under the laws of Minnesota under chapter 322B and registered with the Minnesota Secretary of State's office on 10/16/2012, (charter #622663900026); this limited liability company is governed by Articles of Organization and an operating agreement. Town Hall Lanes, LLC names the following members and principals:

Name	Title	Share
Peter Rifakes	President	50%
Paul Dzubnar	Member	25 %
Michael Drummer	Member	25%

The owners have a no criminal history.

POLICE REVIEW

Police Licensing and this Inspector have reviewed the expenses and source of funds reported in this application. The applicant has provided documentation showing adequate legal and traceable funding for this venture and has passed the criminal background check. The Third Precinct of the Minneapolis Police Department has discussed security issues with the applicant.

PREMISES

The lease shows exclusive use of premises by applicant. The licensed premises are on the first floor of the establishment. The premises occupy approximately 8,168 square feet. There is seating for 126 persons at booths, tables and chairs in the indoor portion of the premises. The business has no outdoor patio currently.

BUSINESS/PLAN/OPERATIONS

Town Hall Lanes' menu will consist of lunch and dinner. The applicant will also be offering live music. The applicant has applied for a C-2 entertainment license which allows up to three or fewer musicians. The zoning district supports this level of entertainment.

Town Hall Lanes, LLC is providing server training for all staff through Loss Control Services. They have a written alcohol policy for their employees to follow. A security plan was submitted for review by the 3rd Precinct Police Department. The plan is on file with this application.

Town Hall Lanes' business hours of operation will be Monday through Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., Thursday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight. The applicants indicate that they intend to seek a 2:00 a.m. alcohol sales permit. Town Hall Lanes will operate a five lane bowling center connected to the restaurant. They will host bowling leagues from 9:00a.m to 10:00p.m. Underage leagues will be hosted during daytime hours. No underage bowlers will be permitted after their designated curfew hour. Restaurant policies regarding alcohol consumption and disturbing behavior are in place. The establishment must operate as a restaurant subject to the 50/50 ratio of food to alcohol sales, per Minneapolis Code of Ordinance 362.395.

The applicant will not offer mechanical amusement devices or charitable gambling on the premises. Town Hall Lanes will be sponsoring the following sporting teams: hockey (currently), softball (currently) and bowling. Like their predecessors, they plan to be very active within the South Minneapolis/Nokomis East community.

The applicant's plan indicates all managers, bartenders, servers, and anyone else who is in a position to sell alcohol must attend alcohol training annually. Town Hall Lanes will conduct its first class during the first week of June 2013. Any employee who misses that class must pass the course on-line before their employment begins. The establishment will check the identification of customers appearing to be under the age of 35. Employees failing to card customers according to policy and who sell an alcoholic beverage to anyone 21 years or under will be immediately suspended or terminated.

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY

This application was subject to public hearing requirements where notice is given to all property owners and residents located within 600 feet of the establishment. 100 notices were mailed to residents and property owners within 600 feet of the premises. Also, a notice was posted at the Nokomis Square Senior Community building. Hearing notices were e-mailed to Council Member Sandra Colvin Roy, the Nokomis East Neighborhood Association and the Longfellow Business Association on May 17, 2013. The public hearing was conducted in the community on May 28th, 2013.

Thirteen people attended the public hearing. Almost all of them were residents that received notices in the mail or saw the posted notice at the restaurant. Everyone that attended the public hearing, including representatives from the Nokomis East Neighborhood Association and Longfellow Business Association voiced support and/or compliments for Town Hall Lanes license application including their hours of operation. There was one resident who was not in favor of Town Hall Lanes' license application.

LICENSE CONDITIONS

There are no license conditions being placed on this license at this time.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Licenses and Consumer Services Division recommends approving this application for an On-Sale Liquor with Sunday Sales, Class "C-2"/Bowling Alley license.